THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1892.

Intimations.

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP AND MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG.
Surgeon Dentist,
(Formerly articled Apprentice, and latterly assistant to Dr. ROGERS),
HAS REMOVED
TO
THE BANK BUILDINGS,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
(Opposite Hongkong Hotel).

CONSULTATION FREE.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1892. [901

SIEN TING,
SURGEON DENTIST,
No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.
TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation free.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1892. [966

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THE GOOD S.S. "PEKIN" and S.S. "KWONG-MO."
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SUI KEE CHAN,
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Hongkong, 14th November, 1892. [1193

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"MONTIARA,"
AS SHE NOW LIES IN YAU-MA-TI BAY.

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Registered Tonnage 75 tons.

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The *Montiara* was built in Singapore, is most solidly constructed of teak throughout, with iron-wood frames, has recently been thoroughly overhauled under experienced European superintendence, and is now in excellent condition. She is a very fast sailer and a most suitable vessel for the Canton kerosene trade, or would make a first-class lighter.

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Hongkong, 17th May, 1892. [525

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THE Engines of the *Chop-cheung* were constructed by Messrs. INGLIS & Co., of Wanchai, and are of the Compound Inverted Cylinder Direct-Acting Surface Condensing type, Cylinders 20½ and 38" dia., with a stroke of 26." The Crank-Shaft is 6½" dia. at the Crank pin and 7" dia. at the journals. The H.P. Piston Rod is 3" and the L.P. 3½" dia. The Piston and Connecting Rod bolts are 2" dia., Air Pump 14½" dia. by 13 stroke, Single Acting Circulating Pump 8" dia. by 13" stroke, and Double Acting Feed and Bilge Pump (one each) 3" dia. by 13" stroke.

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Hongkong Gas Company—$105 per share, sales and buyers.

Hongkong Ice Company—$68 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$65 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—$5½ per share, sellers.

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ON LONDON—Bank, T. T.	2/8⅞
Bank Bills, on demand	2/8⅞
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/9
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ON PARIS—	
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Credits, at 4 months' sight	3.51
ON INDIA :—	
T. T.	221
On Demand	221½
ON SHANGHAI—	
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HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.

Barometer—9 a.m.	30.24
Barometer—1 p.m.	30.24
Barometer—4 p.m.	30.22
Thermometer—9 a.m.	54
Thermometer—1 p.m.	58
Thermometer—4 p.m.	56
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	50
Thermometer—1 p.m. (do)	55
Thermometer—4 p.m. (do)	53
Thermometer—Maximum	64
Thermometer—Minimum (Dew Point)	50

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

19th December, 1892.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to sea level and 32° Fah.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Tokio	30.00	...	...	NW	1	...	...
Nagasaki		...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	30.42	47	40	WNW	4	b	...
Foochow		...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	30.27	61	40	NE	2	b	...
Swatow	30.14	57	...	NE	3	b	...
Breaker	30.08	61	...	ESE	4	b	...
Hongkong	30.05	60	81	C	0	b	...
Victoria Peak		...	...	NNE	3	...	...
Gap Rock	30.67	...	...	NNE	3	...	...
Canton	30.09	60	91	NE	2	...	...
Macao	30.27	61	55	NNW	1	b	...
Holhow	30.18	59	...	ENE	1	b	...
Haiphong	30.21	68	34	WNW	1	b	...
Bolinao	29.85	70	78	N	4	b	...
Manila	29.85	64	71	SSW	1	b	...
Cape St. James		...	...	NW	1	b	...

20th December, 1892.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to sea level and 32° Fah.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Tokio		...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki		...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai		...	...	...	...	...	...
Foochow		...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	30.44	50	65	NE	2	b	...
Anping	30.28	55	...	NNE	4	b	...
Swatow		...	...	...	...	b	...
Hongkong	30.40	56	66	ENE	1	b	...
Victoria Peak		...	...	NNE	4	b	...
Gap Rock	30.27	...	...	ENE	4	b	...
Canton	30.44	50	39	NE	2	...	...
Macao		...	...	...	...	...	...
Holhow		...	...	...	...	b	...
Haiphong	30.09	53	72	WNW	1	b	...
Bolinao	29.98	80	66	SE	1	b	...
Manila		...	...	...	...	b	...
Cape St. James		...	...	N	1	b	...

Barometer rising.—Gradients moderate for north-east winds. Weather!—clear, cold and dry!—(Issued at 10.28 a.m.)

1—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. 2—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. 3—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4—Direction of the wind to two points. 5.—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6—State of the weather, *b* Blue sky, *c* Detached clouds, *d* Drizzling rain, *f* Fog, *g* Gloomy, *h* Hail, *l* Lightning, *o* Overcast, *p* Passing showers, *q* Squally, *r* Rain, *s* Snow, *t* Thunder, *v* Visibility, *w* Dew wet). 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 20th December, 1892.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY ON HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.25	30.40	30.29
Temperature	60	56	58
Humidity	91	74	87
Direction of wind	N	ENE	E
Force	1	1	1
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	...	...	...

Highest open air temperature on the 19th.....64
Lowest open air temperature on the 19th.....48

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 20th December, 1892.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Verona*, with the outward English mail, left Singapore on the 13th instant, and is expected here to-day.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Bayern*, with the outward German mail, left Singapore at 3 p.m. on the 16th instant, and may be expected here on the 22nd.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.

P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, left Yokohama on the 19th instant, and may be expected here on the 24th.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belgic* left San Francisco for this port, *via* Yokohama, on the 15th instant.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The 'Apcar' line steamship *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 13th instant, and is due here to-day.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of China* left Vancouver on the morning of the 13th instant for Hongkong *via* Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Menmuir* left Sydney on the 6th instant, and may be expected here about the 25th.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Victoria, B.C., on the 17th instant for Hongkong *via* Japan.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Thibet* left Bombay on the 9th instant, and may be expected here on the 27th.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Bormida* left Bombay on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 5th prox.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Teucer* left Singapore on the morning of the 20th instant, and may be expected here on the 27th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

CHINGTU, British steamer, 2,400, A. Hunt, 19th Dec.,—Kobe 9th Dec., Nagasaki 11th, and Foochow 18th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

PEIYANG, German steamer, 1,408, Voltmer, 20th Dec.,—Shanghai 16th Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

FORMOSA, British steamer, 2,615, C. E. Baker, 20th,—Shanghai 17th Dec., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

CHARTERS TOWERS, British steamer, 1,847, A. Murray, 20th Dec.,—Kutchinotzu 15th Dec., Coals.—Mitsu Bussan Kaishia.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Lokzang, British steamer, for Kobe, &c.
Chintung, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Haitan, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Gaelic, British steamer, for Yokohama, &c.
Hupeh, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
Zafiro, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 19, *Java*, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 19, *Paoting*, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 19, *Chiyuen*, Chinese str., for Canton.
Dec. 19, *Choysang*, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 19, *Whampoa*, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 20, *Activ*, Danish steamer, for Holhow.
Dec. 20, *Donar*, German steamer, for Saigon.
Dec. 20, *Kong Beng*, British str., for Bangkok.
Dec. 20, *Hupeh*, British str., for Singapore, &c.
Dec. 20, *Chusan*, German str., for Holhow.
Dec. 20, *Chintung*, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 20, *Benledi*, British steamer, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Chingtu*, str., from Nagasaki.—Mr. and Mrs. Cave-Thomas, 2 children and amah, Mr. and Mrs. Brand, Mr. Oswald, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Formosa*, str., from Shanghai.—Rev. and Mrs. Hodges, Miss Insall, Messrs. W. von Corback, J. H. West, Wilkinson, Maligen, E. W. Newell, W. H. Cauldwell, and 3 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Haiphong*, str., for Holhow, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Lachal and child, Mr. and Mrs. de Bovis, Mr. and Mrs. Morel, child and maid, Messrs. Mody and Grote.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Chingtu* reports that she left Kobe on the 9th instant. Had strong northerly winds and continual rain to Nagasaki. Left Nagasaki on the 11th. Had heavy north-west gales and sea with clear weather to Foochow. Left Foochow on the 18th. Had strong north-east monsoon to Breaker Point; thence to port had light wind and fine weather. Arrived here last night at 10.15 o'clock.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE—

For Holhow and Haiphong.—Per *Haiphong* to-morrow, the 21st instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Zafiro* to-morrow, the 21st instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Europe, &c., India *via* Bombay.—Per *Formosa* on Thursday, the 22nd instant, at 11 A.M.

For Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.—Per *Chingtu* on Thursday, the 22nd instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Europe, &c., &c.—Per *Salazie* on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11 A.M.

For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Vancouver, and Victoria, B.C.—Per *Empress of Japan* on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Bellona* on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG

STEAMERS.

ALWINE, German steamer, 400, C. Petersen, 17th Dec.,—Pakhoi 14th Dec., and Holhow 16th, General.—Wieler & Co.

ANCONA, British steamer, 1,888, W. D. Mudie, 19th Dec.,—Yokohama 11th Dec., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

ASK, Danish steamer, 682, Revsbeck. 18th Dec.,—Haiphong 15th Dec., and Holhow 17th, General.—A. R. Marty.

BANTAM, Dutch steamer, 1,457, L. von de Valk, 8th Dec.,—Batavia 28th Nov., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CITO, German steamer, 387, Brandt, 18th Dec.,—Canton 18th Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 675, H. Ipland, 30th Nov.,—Canton 30th November, General.—Siemssen & Co.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,003, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 5th Dec.,—Vancouver, *via* Yokohama 28th Nov., Kobe 29th, and Shanghai 3rd December, General.—C. P. Railway Steamship Co.

EXE, British steamer, 1,309, Watson, 19th Dec.,—Nagasaki 14th Dec., Coal.—Order.

FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain McIsaac,—Hongkong Government tender.

FIDELIO, German steamer, 742, Th. Nissen, 4th Dec.,—Saigon 27th November, Rice.—Melchers & Co.

GAELIC, British steamer, 4,200, Pearne, 10th Dec.,—San Francisco, *via* Yokohama 5th Dec., Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

GLUCKSBURG, German steamer, 918, P. Thomsen, 19th Dec.,—Saigon 11th Dec., Rice and Paddy.—Melchers & Co.

HAIPHONG, French steamer, 874, Galletti, 13th Dec.,—Haiphong 10th Dec., General.—Messageries Maritimes.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, F. D. Goddard, 17th Dec.,—Foochow 13th Dec., Amoy 14th, and Swatow 16th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, German steamer, 710, A. Hunderwadt, 15th Dec.,—Canton 15th Dec., General.—Carlowitz & Co.

LENNOX, British steamer, 1,327, W. Ward, 19th Dec.,—Moji 11th December, Coal.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. Harris, 11th Dec.,—Foochow 6th Dec., Amoy 8th, and Swatow 10th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

NANKIN, Norwegian steamer, 835, N. Sorensen, 9th Dec.,—Moji 3rd Dec., Coal.—Order.

NURNBERG, German steamer, 3,207, B. Blanke, 11th Dec.,—Yokohama 4th Dec., Hiogo 5th, and Nagasaki 7th, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

POLLUX, German steamer, 898, J. Gefken, 20th Nov.,—Moji 14th Nov., Coals.—Mitsui Bishi Colliery.

TAI-YICK, German steamer, 903, N. Emke, 13th Dec.,—Canton 13th Dec., General.—Meyer & Co.

TSINAN, British steamer, 2,500, W. N. Allison, 16th Dec.,—Melbourne 15th Nov., Sydney 23rd, and Port Darwin 6th Dec., Coal and General.—Butterfield & Swire.

VELOX, German steamer, 636, H. R. Gontard, 28th Nov.,—Canton 28th Nov., General.—Wieler & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 18th Dec.,—Manila 15th Dec., General.—Shewan & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALBANIA, British ship, 1,438, W. S. Brownell, 2nd Oct.,—New York 7th May, Kerosene Oil.—Renter, Brockelmann & Co.

ALTAIR, British bark, 339, Munro, 11th Dec.,—Tientsin, Beans.—Butterfield & Swire.

DOROTHEA, German bark, 620, H. M. Moeller, 6th Nov.,—Liverpool 22nd July, Coals.—Master.

ERLKOENIG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutter's Island.—Chinese Customs.

GEORGIETTA, American bark, 436, F. Kasten, 9th Dec.,—Whampoa 8th Dec., General.—Wieler & Co.

HARVARD, American bark, 982, L. A. Colcord, 25th Nov.,—Singapore 21st Oct., Timber.—Master.

IMACOS, Norwegian bark, 575, Olsen, 17th Dec.,—Amoy 15th Dec., Ballast.—Order.

JOHN BARZLEY, American bark, 700, F. P. Shepherd, 16th Dec.,—Chefoo 8th Dec., General.—Master.

LOTHAIR, Italian bark, 718, P. Gardello, 13th Dec.,—Callao 8th August, Old Iron and Brass.—D. Musso & Co.

NAM-SHUN-SHING, Chinese schooner, 300, Luk Lai-tong, 24th August,—Yee-on 11th Aug., Timber.—Yung Kee.

NICOYA, British bark, 595, T. Norris, 16th Nov.,—Bangkok 5th November, Timber.—Wieler & Co.

SANTA CRUZ, American schooner, 92, H. W. Banke, 29th Oct.,—put back, General.—Wieler & Co.

SIGURD, Norwegian bark, 1,512, A. Aase, 22nd Nov.,—Shanghai 16th Nov., Ballast.—Order.

WM. J. ROTCH, American ship, 1,664, Geo. Le Bray, 3rd Dec.,—San Francisco 13th Oct., Flour.—Fung Sang & Co.

XENIA, American bark, 1,135, L. D. Smith, 3rd Nov.,—Sydney, N.S.W., 3rd Sept., Coal.—Order.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [8

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Agents.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [389

NOTICE.

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WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE.
No. 2, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [149

GENERAL NOTICE.

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1881. 869

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ST. JOHN LODGE

OF HONGKONG,
No. 618, S.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1262

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Victoria Preceptory will be held on FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1892. [1256

DILIGENTIA LODGE

OF INSTRUCTION.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst. at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1892. [1254

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

THE SEVENTEENTH REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA will be held in the MASONIC HALL, Zetland Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 29th December, 1892, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1892. [1207

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER Always on Hand.

L. SAILORY.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [661

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A. NAFTALY,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1247

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1255

Intimations.

LOST.

A WHITE BULL BITCH with BROWN PATCH on each side of head, short tail, aged about 8 months, weight about 35 lbs. Anyone returning the same to College Gardens will be rewarded.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1892. [1259

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Singapore, 1st September, 1892. [900

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MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [890

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Nos. 21 & 22, Lee Yuen Street, East.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1892. [933

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THE Undersigned begs to inform the Public that he has appointed HOP-WO-LOONG as Agents in Hongkong for the Sale of the SAI-PANG COALS of the HONDO COAL MINES, Japan,

KONOMI TAKASUKE,
Owner of the Hondo Coal Mines.

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HOP-WO-LOONG,
Agents for the Hondo Coal Mines,
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Hongkong, 26th August, 1892. [855

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1892. [731

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [6

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Hongkong, 29th November, 1892. [612

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1892. [5

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [927

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Leather Goods, Electroplated-Ware, Table Flower Sets, Books, Lamps and Lamp Shades, Fitted Dressing Bags, Jewel Cases, Decorative China and Glassware and a good assortment of Novelties all at moderate prices.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1892 [1071

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [40

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at 3 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending November 30th, 1892.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [1118

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1892 [1253

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 49.

NOTICE is hereby given that MONDAY NEXT, the 26th inst., and MONDAY, the 2nd January, 1893, will be observed as HOLIDAYS at the Kowloon Customs Office.

Work at the Opium Examination Hulk and Customs Stations will proceed as usual.

J. McLEAVY BROWN,
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon & District.
Custom House,
Kowloon, 19th December, 1892. [1263

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A MATCH, MAGAZINE RIFLE *v.* MARTINI-HENRY, will be Fired next SATURDAY, between the OFFICERS and SERGEANTS of the SHROPSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY REGIMENT (Magazine Rifle) and the HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION (Martini-Henry Rifle). Teams—Eight Men a side. Ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards. Time, 2 P.M.

The following Members are requested to practise on behalf of the Rifle Association and to send in their Scores to the Hon. Secretary:—Messrs. W. DUNCAN, FORD, F. HAYWARD, MANN, D. MCLENNAN, ROBERTSON, SWERNEY, KINGSFORD, WARNOCK, and WATSON.

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [40

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SIGNOR CATTANEO has RETURNED from Europe and begs respectfully to inform the HONGKONG community that he will resume his SINGING and PIANO LESSONS in a few days.

Applications to be addressed
c/o. KELLY & WALSH, LD.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [1199

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY.

LADIES who have arrived in the Colony during the current year, and those who have changed their residences since last publication, will oblige by forwarding THEIR ADDRESSES for insertion in THE LADIES' DIRECTORY for 1893, as early as possible.

☞ ADVERTISEMENTS for the HONGKONG DIRECTORY should be sent in at once.

"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" Office,
Pedder's Hill,
Hongkong, 16th December, 1892.

NOTICE.

THE MARIA CHRISTINA CIGAR DEPOT, No. 8, D'AGUILAR STREET, HONGKONG.

HAS received from their MANUFACTORY in Manila some specially-made CIGARS for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

The CIGARS from this MANUFACTORY have obtained PRIZES at all the EXHIBITIONS for excellence of Leaf and Workmanship.

An inspection is respectfully solicited.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1246

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Hongkong, 9th November, 1892. [1114

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE, "GLENEALY BUILDINGS,"
(Nos. 13 and 14, Wyndham Street.)

MRS. GILLANDERS has VACANCIES for RESIDENT BOARDERS and VISITORS. also Accommodation for TABLE BOARDERS.
Hongkong, 4th July, 1892 [650

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R. FRASER-SMITH,
Editor and Proprietor,
Hongkong Telegraph.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1892.

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DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [1257

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO,"

Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

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SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1622

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FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE HSteamship

"GLAMORGANSHIRE,"

Captain Davies, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 23rd instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1115

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"

Captain Jamieson, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 30th instant.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [1239

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¼, 1, 2 & 5 mills	0.25
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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 10th November, 1892. [4

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

DEATHS.

At Shanghai, on the 15th December, 1892, JAMES OLLERDESSEN; aged 76 years.

On December 16th, 1892, at No. 2 Peking Road, Shanghai, MARIE THERESE, the beloved wife of Robert William Mansfield; aged 32 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1892.

HONGKONG MILITARY DEFENCES.

In the report of last night's meeting, which we publish in another column, it will be seen that there is a good deal of rubbish, but one great, awful possibility staring us in the face—more military extortion. Mr. FRANCIS said he understood it was the intention of the Colonial Office authorities, not satisfied with £40,000 a year, to demand—and, of course, insist—that we shall pay the whole cost of the Colony's land defences. There was no mistake about the matter; in two or three years, he said, the whole annual expense of the Hongkong garrison is to be thrown on the taxpayers. The Governor heard, and said nothing.

On the 25th ult., at the meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. T. H. WHITEHEAD said:—"It was with heartfelt sorrow that I listened to the paragraph in His Excellency's speech in connection with the Volunteer Force. He said if it were to cease to exist it is possible that the Imperial Government may demand an Increased Military Contribution." The hon. member further mentioned the example set by the Governors of Singapore and Ceylon in resisting outrageous extortions of this kind. Replying, in his usual imperious and crushing style, the Colonial Secretary (on behalf, presumably, of His Excellency—or else speaking with authority of his own, which Sir W. ROBINSON never tries to question) said:—

I have not the least doubt that if any attempt was made to increase our military contribution the Governor would oppose such an attempt to the utmost of his power; and I do not think that you are at all likely to have had or to have any Governor who would do so with more hearty good will and with perhaps better effect; and if he did not add an observation to that effect, as a sort of rider to his statement (as to the possible increase) it could only have been that he counted on everybody taking it as a matter of course, which required no statement on his part.

Now, what we want to know is this—why did Sir W. ROBINSON sit quiet yesterday and allow the Colony to be threatened with an increase? Are we still to take it as a matter of course that he will oppose any further demand of this sort? Or are we to understand that the blow must fall? Of course, it would be easy enough for the Governor or the Colonial Secretary to explain away or ignore anything either had said; they are both adepts in the art of—ahem! "revised versions." But if there is anything at all in this new threat, there is a very great deal in it, and we ought to be told at once what to expect.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

WE regret to learn of the death of Mrs. W. R. Mansfield, wife of H.B.M. vice-consul at Shanghai, on the 16th inst. after a long illness.

A REGULAR meeting of Zetland Lodge, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Tuesday, the 27th instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

IT is notified that Saturday, the 24th, and Monday, the 26th, as well as Saturday, the 31st inst., will be observed as public holidays, and that therefore the Harbour Office and other Government offices will be closed on those days.

HARMSTON'S Circus again had most encouraging success last night, especially 'Bobby' Love on the moke. There will be two full *matinée* performances this week, on Friday and Saturday, at the former of which H.E. the Governor has signified his intention of attending.

MAILS Due:—

English (*Verona*)	20th	instant.
Indian (*A Apcar*)	20th	"
German (*Bayern*)	22nd	"
Australian (*Menmuir*)	25th	"
Bombay (*Thibet*)	27th	"
American (*C of Peking*)	28th	"
Bombay (*Bormida*)	5th	proximo.

THIS morning, as the *Haungshan* was coming to her wharf about eleven o'clock, from Macao, she got ashore in trying to avoid the usual swarm of small craft that always make navigation so difficult off West P. Int. After lying on the mud for about half an hour the steamer got off without help, came up to the wharf, and went away again at the usual time this afternoon. No damage done, unless some of the sampans may have been hurt.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial Hospital begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donations to the funds of the Hospital:—

Yan Wo Company	$ 50
A Chinese Friend	50
Tung Cheung Wah	10
Tung Kee	10
Lau Sai Lock	10
Chin Loong Tai	5
Chil Wing On	5
Compradore of W. G. Humphreys & Co.	5
Wong Yui Sang	5
Yu Yuk Chi	5
Yue Kwong Cheong	3
Wong Wing Sheung	3
Kung On Wing	3
Wong Ching Ngan	3
In smaller sums	$55.50

GREAT was Diana of the Ephesians, and great was the joy of the Misses Hattori Heikiko Nakai Masunosi, Araki Hiku, Hirai Tsumi Honda Suma, Matsumoto Mome, Isoda Toyo Matsumoto Sate, Masuda Tsuru, Iwamoto Yuki, Sanaka Tomo, Takada Yuki, (who answered to the "call" in the Mansion of Justice this morning) when the presiding Magistrate to-day uttered the word "discharged!" And little wonder, for they stood before the bench, shivering and shaking, their cherry lips blue with cold, charged with unlawfully obtaining surreptitious passages from Nagasaki to Hongkong on board the steamship *Exe*. The captain of that vessel, however, said he had been paid their passage money since his arrival in the waters of the colony and therefore would not press the charge; hence the escape from the clutches of the law and the letting loose upon this gorgeous isle of twelve elegant Japanese maidens.

AT Shanghai on the 16th, says the *Mercury*, an interesting little ceremony took place on board the Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *El Dorado*, a handsome silver cigar case being presented to Mr. H. Forrester, second officer, by Mr. W. F. Inglis of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., on behalf of two of the passengers who were on board the steamer, when she broke her shaft recently while on a voyage from Chefoo to Shanghai—Colonel de Wagach and Captain de Fleurac. These two gentlemen have written a very complimentary letter to Captain Balbernie, expressing their high appreciation of his conduct and that of his officers on the occasion in question. The cigar case presented to Mr. Forrester is also their gift and is intended to commemorate the gallantry of Mr. Forrester, who was sent by Captain Balbernie in a gig to fetch assistance when the steamer broke down. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. supplemented the gift of Colonel de Wagach and Captain de Fleurac, a sum of money being also given to each of the Chinese sailors who manned the boat on the occasion. The presentation was made in the saloon of the *El Dorado* in presence of Captain Balbernie, Messrs. Colin Buchanan, Teng Kit-son and other gentlemen.

H.M.S. *Porpoise* and *Linnet* are at Hankow, and the *Peacock* at Wuhu. The German gunboat *Wolf* has gone up the Yangtse, and the French gunboat *Vipère* is reported coming down.

A REGULAR meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Thursday, the 22nd instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward.

Chingtu	steamer,	from	Foochow.
Peiyang	"	"	Shanghai.
Formosa	"	"	Shanghai.

Aggregating 6,423 tons, register.

Outward.

Activ	steamer,	for	Hoihow.
Donar	"	"	Saigon.
Haiphong	"	"	Hoihow.
Chusan	"	"	Haiphong.
Chintung	"	"	Shanghai.

Aggregating 3,105 tons, register.

THERE was a very poor attendance last night (compared with the first performance) at the City Hall, when the combined forces of the Victoria Recreation Club, Army, Navy, Volunteer Artillery and Victoria English School boys went through a very well arranged and well executed programme. The athletic displays and the various contests which went so well on the first occasion were repeated, with undiminished success. A very pretty spar between the two light-weight amateurs of the V.R.C. Mr. H. J. Gedge and Mr. C. T. Robinson, was about the best seen in this Colony for a very long time. Mr. Robinson was hardly quite in form, owing to his recent illness, but made a much better stand than might have been expected. The *pièce de résistance* of the evening, the massacre of British troops in the Khyber Pass, was a reversal of the former programme. As originally arranged, the British army marches up the hills, leaving a rearguard *en bivouac*; the sentry sings something, which brings the enemy down to kill him; the whole British army is turned on, and after a fearful battle the Afghans are routed to the strains of "Conquering hero" and "God save the Queen." That was how the matter was first designed. Last night, however, the Afghans were up to the dodge, and shot the singer before he had time to get any music off at them; then, with nothing more to fear, the terrible black warriors waltzed in and wiped the British army off the face of the earth, ending with a blood-curdling war-dance over the Volunteers' corpses—to the tune of "God save the Queen," same as never was!

THE VOLUNTEER MEETING.

The public meeting called by the Governor to decide on the future of volunteering in Hongkong was held yesterday evening in the St. Andrew's Hall. His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Robinson) presided and among those present were H. E. Major-General Barker, Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Lieut. Col. Jerrard, Major-General Gordon, Hon. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Mr. Alford, Dr. J. Cantlie, Mr. C. J. Holliday, Mr. C. Ford, Mr. Boyd, Mr. A. G. Gordon, Mr. F. W. Watts, Mr. G. L. Duncan, Mr. J. McCallum, Mr. H. Smith, Capt. Rumsey, R.N., &c.

His Excellency, in opening the meeting said—Gentlemen, I have convened this meeting this evening in the hopes of being able to ascertain if possible the views and feelings of the community generally in reference to a question which certainly is surrounded by difficulties. That question is the re-establishment and the maintenance of a Volunteer Corps in Hongkong. My own opinion, as you are aware, has been expressed freely enough. It was to the effect that it would be very difficult, looking to the numerous amusements which present themselves to young men in the colony, such as cricket, tennis, golf rowing, football, and other games, to raise so large a force as 200 or even 150 Volunteers, and that even if that force were raised it would possibly, and probably, be very difficult to maintain it at that figure. Personally I may say I am placed in rather an awkward dilemma, to explain which I must take you back a few months and show you exactly how the matter stands. Holding the opinions I did, and having expressed the opinions I held I referred the question to a very able committee which sent in a very excellent report, a report which erred perhaps on the side of liberality. The committee did not at all agree with me. They attributed the complete failure of each successive effort to establish a permanent force of Volunteers here to the want of inducement and sufficient liberality on the part of the Government. Now the Government has not to find the funds. It is the taxpayer who has to provide that, and therefore I was rather surprised at a recent meeting of the Council to find that an hon. member who represents the people of this colony to a certain extent moved that the Volunteer vote be reduced from $12,000, at which it stands for 1892, to half that amount. Therefore I am as it were between two fires. In the first place I have unofficial members of Council objecting to the vote as it stands, and on the other hand I have this very able and representative committee suggesting that this expenditure should be considerably increased. The conditions which I laid down were also stated when the Legislative Council reassembled the other day and I promised then to place before the Finance Committee two votes, one for $10,000 for initial expenses and another for $12,000 or $13,000 for the annual maintenance of the new corps. That $12,000 has already been voted; the $10,000 remains to be voted. If it is the wish of the community of Hongkong that this force should be re-established and maintained. The terms and conditions that I imposed were these—that if by the 31st of December 150 men had expressed themselves willing to join the force and to abide by the conditions of the Volunteer Act which would be passed, probably this session, then I would go to the Finance Committee for this money. But I think that perhaps those conditions were rather too stringent, and feeling as I do that at all events it is very necessary and desirable that the nucleus of a force should be established and maintained, I am quite prepared to reduce that number of men to 120 and to extend the time until the 31st of January next. I am very sorry that there are so few people here this evening. Perhaps I am somewhat to blame as the hour may not be convenient, but I was not aware that half-past five would be too early—the time was suggested to me and I agreed. I am thankful to say, however, that I have been assured the support not only of our eminent and eloquent Q.C.—Mr. J. J. Francis—and of H.E. Major General Barker, but of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Messrs. Dodwell Carlill & Co., and others, and I am told that 70 per cent. of the employers of labour in this colony are prepared to afford every facility to gentlemen in their establishments who may wish to join the Volunteer force. (Applause). I think that with a view to bringing the matter to a head as soon as possible I had better proceed to the resolution which Mr. Francis has kindly consented to propose. The resolution is—"That it is desirable to re-establish and maintain a Volunteer force in Hongkong, on the understanding that it is the wish of the Government that that force should be brought in as close touch as possible with the military forces."

Mr. J. J. Francis said—Your Excellency and gentlemen, the resolution which has been placed in my hands to propose is to a certain extent a double-bodied resolution and one which easily might be divided into two or three heads. The first part is "that it is desirable to re-establish the Volunteer force." I do not quite like the wording of the resolution and I am sure you will agree with me that "re-establish" is not quite a suitable word, because, thanks to Capt. McCallum, and some 30 or 40 energetic men, there is a Volunteer force, although only a small one, in the colony which I believe to be fairly competent to do its work if occasion requires. Therefore I should like to alter this resolution with respect to that one word and turn it into this—"it is desirable to extend the Volunteer force and maintain it in efficiency." The next question is, what is meant by encouragement? It is to be established, and maintained, and encouraged. I myself individually have been connected with the Volunteer force in Hongkong since 1878. I was well acquainted with the old force raised in 1862 and I always have been of opinion that it was not possible at any time, when things were in a peaceable condition, to maintain permanently in Hongkong more than the nucleus of a Volunteer force; that the time at the disposal of the younger members of the community, both before and after business hours, is so short, because to a certain extent of climatic conditions and a short twilight, and there are so many forms of amusement and so little time to indulge in the ordinary sports and exercises, that they really have not leisure as a rule to give to Volunteering. But I do think, and have always thought and always insisted upon it to everyone who addressed me on the subject, that it is of the very greatest possible importance that here in Hongkong we should maintain the nucleus of a Volunteer force, a skeleton corps of some description, on which if hostilities were to break out or if hostilities were threatened the whole body of the young men in Hongkong could form an effective corps. It has often been mentioned, I think, that in 1878, when there seemed some probability of war with Russia, over 200 men were on the roll of the corps then raised and while hostilities appeared imminent we had 160 or 170 men on parade twice a day, morning and evening, and most zealous and energetic they were. The moment the possibility of hostilities had passed away the numbers present on parade dropped to 0 or 40 men. Now whether the force to be maintained should be wholly artillerymen, trained to the management of the big guns at present in the forts, or whether they should form a Maxim gun corps, or a rifle corps, or whether an attempt should be made to form a composite corps; these are matters which, I think, should be left to the military authorities. They, I think should be permitted to say in what way the young men of the colony can be most effective in the defence of the island, but it must be left in a great degree to the young men themselves to say in what particular kind of force they would like to serve. Some men doubtless would like to be Maxim gun and machine gun men; others would like to be riflemen. Then there are many details to be considered as to how that corps should be worked to prove most effective and popular. Perhaps some arrangement could be made by which, as in Shanghai, the men were called up only for a short period of drill, say a month or six weeks in the cooler season of the year devoted to earnest drill, morning and evening, and the men left to dispose of their time as they pleased during the greater portion of the rest of the year. That such a corps could be established here I have not the least doubt, and I do not think any of the gentlemen interested in the question who have considered it have any doubt on the matter at all. Since 1878 the European population of the colony has very considerably increased and I myself believe that if hostilities were threatened, or were to break out, over 300 instead of 200 would be ready to turn out at a moment's notice. Is it too much to expect that 100 or 120 could be got together now? I do not understand quite whether His Excellency means a force of 120 men in addition to the present force.

His Excellency—No, including the present corps.

Mr. J. J. Francis—Capt. McCallum has 40 or 50 men already, so the deficiency to be supplied is not very great. But there are certain difficulties always attending the getting together of the corps in addition to those I have already mentioned. The one of time has been to my mind the main difficulty. After 5 o'clock in the evening there is very little time indeed for men to go to drill. The present corps has wanted, I am sorry to say, and sadly wanted, a central place where the men can keep their clothing, arms, and accoutrements, and where they can drill on the spot without having, as Volunteers have had to do in past years, to rush home to get their uniforms and rush off to the artillery offices to get their guns, and what with one thing and another, by the time they are on the parade ground the whole of the time at their disposal is lost. Therefore the Committee have asked the Government to incur considerable expense in establishing a central place in which the Volunteers can keep everything they require for their purposes, and where drill can be put forward on the spot. That is the encouragement and support the Volunteers want from the community; they want very largely that personal encouragement which the belief in the necessity for the existence of a Volunteer corps can only give. From employers of labour the want something more than mere concession of time. They say, "If men join the Volunteer force will give them every facility. That is inactive encouragement. Heads of houses must know perfectly well and with heads of houses I think I may include heads of Government departments as well, that, without putting undue pressure on their men, they can give them to understand and feel that the man who devotes his time to Volunteering will be looked upon with a certain amount of favour. If heads of houses and departments are positively in favour of the Volunteering, are active and zealous themselves, if they would join a veteran corps, say, and take a real interest in the matter, then probably would be found that young men who would not otherwise join would enrol their names as Volunteers. I should be the last man in the world to encourage anything in the shape of pressure being put upon any man to join the Volunteers, but there are many ways in which heads of houses and employers can encourage their young men to become efficient members of the Volunteer force. Now, gentlemen, there are many reasons why a Volunteer force should exist here. One reason is and it is a reason worthy of some consideration, a reason I think which was taken into consideration by the late Committee, and it is that the home authorities intend, or have expressed the intention, that this and every other colony under the Crown should pay for the whole of its land defences, and I think that as far as we are related to the military contribution the present assessment is to last only two or three years longer and then will probably be reconsidered with a view to increase. We may either contribute money or men, and calculations which were carefully worked out by the Chairman of the Committee show that a couple of hundred Volunteers raised here would cost the Government here very considerably less than half what it would cost the Imperial Government to put down and maintain 200 artillerymen here for twelve months. I have not got before me the exact figures, but I think that the expense—Mr. Holliday may correct me if I am wrong—was calculated at considerably less than one half of what it would cost the Imperial Government to make a provision of the same number of regulars. Now, gentlemen, it is a serious consideration for the community if they have to contribute the whole or the greater portion of the necessary expenditure for the land defences of the colony, whether they can make the contribution in money or men—whether they will pay $30,000 or $40,000 additional to the Home Government for a couple of hundred artillerymen or whether at less than half the expense they will maintain 200 Volunteers. It is not necessary for me to say anything as to the personal and physical advantages to each member of the community through being a Volunteer. We all know very well the usual stock phrases of increased development, moral and athletic training, &c., which a man gains by Volunteering. Of the purely military advantages I have no doubt H. E. the Major-General will tell you. I think he will tell you in seconding the resolution what particular description of assistance the colony can most usefully render to the service. That Volunteers can render most efficient service any man who thinks the matter over for a moment will acknowledge. The addition of 200 men to our small force here in case of war would be of considerable value whether they were riflemen or artillerymen ready to assist at the big guns. I ask you therefore, gentlemen, to pass by acclamation this resolution—"That it is desirable to extend and maintain the Volunteer force in Hongkong"—and with reference to the second part of the resolution—"on the understanding that it is the wish of the Government that the force should be brought in as close touch as possible with the military force." I can only say that all of us who have any experience here in connection with the Volunteer force which has existed since 1878 feel that so far as the military forces were concerned we were left to a certain extent out in the cold, and that however willing we were in many respects to fall into line with the military in parades and that sort of thing, the same facilities were not quite given to us as are habitually given to the Volunteer forces in England. Therefore the late Committee requested that the Volunteer force if raised should be placed as completely as it is possible, consistent with the instructions from the Secretary of State and subject to the control of His Excellency the Governor in Council, under the military authorities; that the corps should have a permanent military adjutant with no other duties than to attend to the force; and in fact in every possible way that the Volunteers, whatever their strength, should be made an integral portion of the force, under the supervision of the Major-General, and getting the full benefit of all instruction and care and attention that his staff can give. I beg, gentlemen, to propose the resolution (applause.)

Major-General Barker said—Your Excellency and gentlemen, I have very much pleasure in seconding this resolution. With all due respect to the learned Counsel who has just spoken I should have preferred to retain the wording as it was, because I think it really is more a re-establishment than an extension which is proposed by the Government. It is partly because the present corps is not founded upon the same principles which the Volunteer force in England is founded upon that it is proposed—in my view—to re-establish it. It will be necessary, I believe, if the present proposals are carried out to disband the present corps if only for a moment, and, of course I hope to enrol them all again. But they will be placed upon a new footing. I do not think I need press my objection and therefore I second the resolution as worded. I should like to take this opportunity of refuting certain misconceptions which I believe to be more or less prevalent, and which have tended to discourage Volunteering in Hongkong. In the first place I hear that I have been credited with discouraging the movement, and in fact with holding the opinion that Volunteers are of no use. All I can say is that no one can appreciate their use more than I do, or can be more anxious than I am to see a properly constituted and disciplined corps of Volunteers added to the available strength of the garrison. In the second place I have been informed that an erroneous idea, in quite the opposite extreme, exists in the minds of some, viz., that the War Department, in urging the formation of Volunteers has in view the withdrawal of a portion of the garrison, which is supposed to be now up to the full complement required for the effective defence of the fortress, and that by the training of Volunteers some of the permanent garrison may be released. To this I can give an emphatic denial. The establishment of the garrison has been fixed at the very minimum that can be expected to hold the fortress when assisted by such a number of trained Volunteers as it is considered the British population here, as elsewhere, ought to, and will, provide. Thirdly—It is sometimes urged that in view of the sufficient strength of the garrison her for all ordinary purposes the maintenance of Volunteers in peace time is quite unnecessary; that any number of men can be relied on to come forward in the event of danger to assist the regular army in conducting the defence. I am confident that there would be no lack of Volunteers in such an event; but wars break out quickly nowadays, on the first alarm every officer and man of the regular force would be so engaged in the duties specially assigned to him, that there would be little or no time to give to organizing and disciplining and training such Volunteers, so as to render their assistance effective; but with a nucleus of two or three hundred already drilled and versed in the use of their weapons, the value of the Volunteers would be increased fourfold. As the one responsible for the defence of this Colony I assert that such a nucleus of thoroughly trained Volunteers capable of expansion in war is vitally necessary. Then, again, I believe that there is a feeling which restrains many from Volunteering, a feeling due to the modesty and diffidence which characterize our race; viz. that Volunteers may be looked upon by the regular forces with a contemptuous eye, and considered to be playing at soldiers. Though this may to some extent be true where the Volunteers are formed and maintained without any connection with the Military, or for embodying them for active service under military law in the event of war, it is quite the opposite when they are raised, as in England, and as it is now proposed to raise them here, as an integral part of the military system, placed under the supervision and tutelage of the military authorities, and liable, in the event of the colony being threatened, to be, by order of the Governor, embodied for active service under the Army Act, as paid soldiers of the Crown. Such a force the Army will be proud to welcome as an auxiliary ally, and will feel it a privilege to do all in its power to help with advice and guidance. The contemplated Ordinance will, I understand, place such Volunteers as may be raised in Hongkong under the Army Act, in an exactly analogous way to that by which the English Volunteer Forces' Act deals with the home Volunteers. I am sorry that that Ordinance had not been passed or published before this meeting was called, that the terms of enrolment might be generally known, but I may perhaps mention that the main features of the home arrangement, on which it is based are—(1.) Provisions for effective discipline when paraded under their own officers. (2.) Subjection to military discipline—as a real part of the regular army—when paraded with or working with the regular forces. (3.) Liability in case of danger to be called out by the Governor on active service—becoming for the time, to all intents and purposes, officers and soldiers of the regular army, entitled to its advantages and subject to its liabilities. Enrolled under such conditions no Volunteers need fear that, however large the military garrison may be, they will be ever looked on as intruders when donning their uniform, or engaging in their military pursuits. As regards the exact organisation which the Force should assume, this can perhaps hardly be settled until the numbers volunteering for the different arms is approximately known. The Committee which recently considered the question recommended that it should be called "Volunteer Artillery" and that it should be formed in two batteries of equal strength, one for field guns the other for machine guns, but I am still in favour of the distribution which I recommended two years ago, based as it was on the suggestion of General Edwards, who originally proposed the formation of this new Corps. My plan is to have one Battery of Field Artillery and three Machine Gun Companies, all forming one Corps—which I would call simply the Hongkong Volunteers—under one command but not necessarily wearing the some uniform for the two branches. All to be trained in the use of the rifle as well as in that of the field or machine guns. The Field Battery to be composed at first of 1 Captain 3 Lieutenants, and 50 men. Each Machine Gun Company to have 1 Captain, 2 Lieutenants and 50 men divided into 4 sections of 12 with 1 gun to each section. This organisation would be best adapted for the work the Corps would have to perform, one Company under its captain being primarily attached to each of the 3 fronts into which our Southern Defence is divided—a half Company or 2 Sections with their 2 guns, being detachable as a unit under its Lieutenant. Not only would this distribution into smaller units be preferable from a service point of view, but I think it may greatly facilitate the prospect of obtaining the number of Volunteers we want; and it is for this reason. I have, at the risk of being somewhat wearisome, troubled you with details. By increasing the number, and at the same time decreasing the size of the units, it will be open to small bodies of men, mutual friends and companions in recreation, to come forward and volunteer to form, say, a complete section, or 2 sections under their own chosen Lieutenant, or even, as I hope may be the case, a whole company under their own elected Captain as well as Lieutenant—such election of course to be subject to confirmation by the Governor and to satisfying the professional tests to be required by the Military authorities. I have hitherto been opposed to the idea of the officers being elected by the men, but with a system of this kind I think the objection may be waived. Such an individualizing of units, while specially convenient from a social point of view, is entirely in keeping with the guiding principle now adopted in the regular service. For instance, in our infantry, the day that a recruit joins, he is told off to the smallest fire unit (either section or sub-section) with which he is to be always quartered and to perform all guards, fatigues, or other duties, so far as can be arranged. Experience has shown that greater results are obtainable from soldiers of ordinary courage who have gained confidence in each other through being accustomed to work together, than from even the bravest who have not been so trained. There is, thus, nothing unmilitary in this proposal and the force would be readily expansible in the event of war. If the Companies and sections can be formed by men volunteering in bodies, as I have suggested, much desirable and wholesome emulation would probably result. We might hope to see, for instance, the Bank Company, or the Bank section, vieing to have a smarter turn out of machine guns, smarter drilled detachments, and better rifle shots, than, say, (supposing there are sufficient gentlemen of the law in this Colony to permit) the "Devil's Own." I would further suggest that each Company or section so formed should be allowed to fill up by ballot any vacancies that may occur in it. It would be desirable that the Captains should be mounted, and if it would make the service more popular there seems no reason why the Lieutenants should not be mounted also. Some gentlemen are, I believe, deterred from joining by the idea that they will be subjected to the hard labour of dragging their guns and limbers through the streets and up the hills, but this is not required, and it is not desirable. Draught must be provided either in the shape of coolies, as proposed by the Committee, or by ponies, as I think would be better and less costly; and the guns would only be dragged by the detachments while actually on parade or in the field. Lastly: There are two classes of residents to whom this resolution specially appeals. They are the employers and the employed. As a rule it may be said to be the younger race, the employed, who are expected to come forward as Volunteers; but the employers can do much to assist the movement by allowing some modification of the hours of office and work in favour of those who volunteer. It is not for me to go into the debated question of cost; but as I am not a member of the Legislative Council, official or un-official, I may perhaps be allowed to say that if the younger men of this colony come forward, as I hope they will do in large numbers, to fulfil the part which England expects of them and of which noble examples are afforded by the Mother country as well as by most colonies, and if the employers give such practical evidence of their sympathy with the movement as I have suggested, I feel convinced that the aspirations of those who volunteer, tending, as they will, to render more secure this colony from invasion, and your property from destruction, can never be thwarted by the Council for the sake of a few thousands of dollars, a few hundreds of pounds a year, Gentlemen, I must apologise for having taken up so much of your time. In seconding this resolution I most cordially commend it for your adoption.

Capt. Rumsey referred at length to his mad scheme of sending steam launches out to do scout duty in the vicinity of the lighthouse signal stations.

The resolutions were then passed as proposed, and a committee appointed to raise recruits.

Mr. Holliday, when asked by the Governor, declined to assist.

The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.

THE CHRISTMAS STORES.

As usual at this season of the year the stores are particularly attractive to the passer-by owing to the brilliant display of artistic, ornamental, useful, and in some cases quite novel articles. Of course, this is not what our readers will call *news*, but it is worthy of note nevertheless as being fresh evidence of the veracity in the old saying that there is practically no limit to human credulity; for who will gainsay the allegation that with almost all the money drained from the pockets of the ratepayers who have rushed helter-skelter into numerous wild-cat schemes and everything down to the lowest water-mark ever recorded in the history of the Colony the storekeepers who have imported so largely for the long-looked-for Christmas sales are by no means lacking in credulity—they have been, sanguine indeed, and it is to be hoped that they will not have waited entirely in vain.

THE HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY'S show is well up to its old-time standard and while devoting their usual care in the selec-

tion of novelties, toys, French confectionery, crackers and fancy articles the Management have also procured a magnificent stock of rugs, blankets, gowns, smoking necessaries, and furnishing goods that when seen send the hand down to the bottom of the pocket to fetch up the last remaining dollar. While adults are bound to be interested in what they see in this store the young will simply revel in the thousand and one things that are on view on the ground floor.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co. have a very choice stock of French dainties which appear to be vanishing like "dead brokes" from our far-famed *Rialto*. Good as are the French confections they are fairly surpassed by the goodly display of "other things." An important addition to this store is, we note, soon to be opened.

MESSRS. KELLY AND WALSH

have this year a capital display of ladies' and gentlemen's travelling bags and dressing cases—just the very things for sweethearts and wives. Their photo albums, jewellery cases and writing desks are of the best make, while in books, suited to both young and old, the assortment is electrifying and had better not be seen by those who have not the wherewithal to square their washing bill.

The crowds of needy spectators who daily assemble outside

MESSRS POWELL AND CO'S

broad show-windows is perhaps the best proof that their taste is only equalled by their well known enterprise. Their collection of toys is immense, and is therefore perhaps the most difficult to select from, by reason of the great number of ornamental and novel articles suited to the taste of the rising generation. This firm's display of oil-paintings and oleographs has rarely or even been excelled any where, while the pains bestowed on the selection of seasonable articles of wearing apparel does the management infinite credit.

Typewriters, pianos and Raphael Tuck's celebrated works of art are to be found in abundance in

MR. W. WREWER'S

store, as well as a capital show of leather and morocco goods suitable for presentation to any one in the Colony—from our Orfis Gote sway up to O'Brien, the greatest mathematician of this degenerate age.

As a rule one does not expect to see a very gorgeous display in the "medicine-man's" shop, but this year

MESSRS DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO.

have vied with their fellow townsmen in making their premises as attractive as possible. Their silverware and silver-plated goods are both chaste and useful, and selling at very moderate prices, while their confectionery is of the very best quality, and their show of magic lanterns, electric "unknowns" and photographic apparatus is exceptionally large and varied.

MESSRS. KRUSE & CO.'S

store is amongst the foremost in its lavish display of Christmas goods, their exquisite photographic albums and other useful articles being as chaste as they are unquestionably cheap at the prices demanded for them.

That

MESSRS GIRAULT

are fully alive to the fact that a big display is likely to cause a swelling of their 1892 revenue is unquestionable, for they have their store literally crammed with delicious confectionery, fruits, crackers and *bon-bons* that should suffice to send dyspeptics and bankrupts into hysterics at first sight.

MESSRS LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

have, as usual, a very "tall" show, which is attracting a great deal of attention. Their specially selected silver stock of useful and ornamental articles is very enticing and doubtless will "fetch" the crowd, while their Parisian confections and Xmas trimmings are bound to "go off" like wild-fire. This old-established firm has, of course, a vast selection of good wines and all that need be done in the matter of procuring at least a sup of the "fragrant juice" is to call round on the affable attendants and convey to them and their *confrères* in trade our wishes that they may have a very merry Xmas and prosperous New Year.

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premises, where every description of fancy article, confections, presents, and solid creature comforts are to be had at prices which can't be beaten East of Suez Canal.

MOJI.

In consequence of the large growth of coal exports from Moji within the last year or two, the industry has attracted considerable interest in European circles not only among the residents in Japan, but those in Hongkong and China ports look upon Moji as the place from which they will in future draw large supplies of steam fuel. Having lately visited Japan with the special purpose of ascertaining the facilities to shipping in the port, my views on the subject might be of interest to agents and captains of vessels trading in the China and Japan seas.

The town of Moji is situated in the Straits of Simonoseki in a bay opposite to the city bearing that name, at the south western entrance to the Inland Sea. The harbour is an excellent one with good anchorage in 6 fathoms of water, well clear of the strong tides that run through the Straits, and has accommodation for from 15 to 20 large vessels. The only danger to navigation is a sandbank with 2½ fathoms over it on the outside of the harbour, this is marked by a black buoy at the west and red buy at the east end—vessels bound for Moji must therefore keep inside. Captains of steamers unacquanted with the port should arrange by telegraph before leaving for a European pilot to meet them at Rocoen Island, on which there is a lighthouse, at the entrance to the Straits; for although there are always Japanese pilots to be had there, they will not accept responsibility. There is good anchorage round Rocoen should it be made in the dark. Before proceeding through the narrows it would be well to wait for slack water, either high or low, as the tide runs at the rate of 7 to 8 knots. There is little or no difficulty in the pilotage, and the knowledge and experienced of one voyage should be sufficient to make one acquainted with it in the event of a pilot not being obtainable. The port is well sheltered on all sides by high land and it must be seldom indeed that work cannot be carried on in the harbour on account of rough weather. Coolie labour is plentiful and if there is no trouble or hitch with those in charge of loading or discharging the cargo, quick dispatch can be depended upon.

At present the port is not open to foreign trade and steamers loading there are objected to obtain a permit from Tokio before anything can be shipped; this often causes considerable delay and annoyance to ship masters as the result. At present the custom is for the charterers or shippers (Japanese) of the cargo to apply for and obtain this permit in their own names, and without their permission no other cargo can be received on board. Should a Captain be dissatisfied with the quality of Bunker Coal which his charterers offer to give him he is prevented from supplying his wants outside, as the permit to ship might be withheld or he would be put to other inconvenience. Several steamers have lately experienced great delay over this matter and masters of vessels should make up their minds either to buy their bunker coal from the people who load the ship or arrange beforehand to employ their own agents to apply for the permit. This can be done by paying an agency of of something like $70. As Europeans are not allowed to reside and transact business at a non-treaty port, Messrs. Holme Ringer & Co., Nagasaki, Browne & Co. and Samuel & Co. Kobe are represented in Moji under Japanese names. It is, however, always desirable for Captains to bunker with the suppliers of the cargo even at a slight advance in cost, or receive coals of what they think inferior quality, rather than cause friction which might lead to the detention of the ship.

While on this subject I might also mention another matter which has come under my notice. Keen competition exists among the different coal merchants for the supply of bunker coal and bribes are freely offered to the chief engineer to induce him to approve of the quality. If he accepts the mate's efforts will be directed to get the captain to purchase his selection. Captains should be careful to act entirely on their own judgment in this matter and thereby protect the interests of their owners. A day's detention to a steamer means considerable loss, whilst the difference of 10 cents per ton in the price of bunker coal will never be felt. As a matter of fact, however, the shippers of the cargo will generally give a better quality of coal at the same price as outsiders. Having no bribes to pay they can afford to do it. In short, cargo shippers look upon supplying the bunkers as their right and I think every consideration ought to be given to them. At the same time I consider the permit should be taken out by the steamer's agents and so prevent the Captain being entirely in the hands of the agents of the cargo.

Provisions, in the shape of good beef, vegetables, and water, are plentiful, and there is a resident european compradore trading under a Japanese name.

On the whole I consider Moji one of the best and cheapest harbours in Japan.

Several representations have lately been made to the Japanese Government to have Moji added to the list of Treaty ports in the interests of Japanese merchants trading there and for the convenience of European shipping which daily visit the port; and there is no doubt that such a concession would be hailed with great satisfaction. From its position at the terminus of a 60 mile railway which taps the rich rice, wheat, tea, silk and coal producing distric. in the island of Kiushiu it can easily be seen that if facilities were given to foreign trade a considerable quantity of produce, the cost of transport of which to Nagasaki and Kobe at present is a great tax, would find its way direct to a foreign market. Independent of the trouble in obtaining a permit from Tokio to ship any specified article in a particular vessel from a non-treaty port there is the absence of European Bank accommodation, and this is especially felt in Moji in regard to the large shipments of coal that almost daily leave for Hongkong and Shanghai. Several steamers have at times loaded cargoes of rice for Europe or America from Moji but unless a free cargo can be secured vessels will not undertake to call there for a small quantity under the present conditions. On the other hand if Moji were thrown open, all steamers entering and leaving the Inland sea would call in on the chance of what they could pick up in the shape of cargo and passengers, at the same time filling their bunkers with cheap coal. It is to be hoped that the Japanese Government will look favourably on the proposal to open Moji to foreign trade from a commercial point of view and also for the direct benefit of the inhabitants of the island of Kiushiu.

It may not be out of place to give a brief description here of the town itself. It is formed of a single principal street, along the shore of the bay, about a mile long at the foot of some low steep hills covered with trees, the eastern end extending to Moji-saki, a hill about 600 feet high forming a promontory at the north end of Kiushiu. Between Mojisaki and Simonasaki the Strait is very narrow and the tide runs with great velocity. There is a flat piece of land behind and at the base of Mojisaki, which is used for making salt from sea water by evaporation; and several salt pans were during my visit busy at work cleaning the raw material. The principal buildings in the town are the railway station and warehouses attached for the storage of cargo. There are not many dwelling houses at present but a considerable number are in the course of erection. Good sites are to be had for European offices and godowns along the shore, and picturesque spots for bungalows on the hill sides. About the centre of the town is the Hatoba or landing place for sampans and cargo boats and from this a good sea wall runs westward for a mile, protecting the foreshore which has just been reclaimed from the sea by a company formed for that purpose. This reclaimed land is 300 to 500 feet deep and most of it has been sold at the rate of 40 cents per square foot to owners and agents of coal mines for the storage of their cargo. There are not less than 100,000 tons of coal piled up in different heaps along this foreshore waiting a sale. Intending purchasers, however, should be careful to inspect the cargo first, as the name given is no guarantee for the quality, and as the size of this stored cargo is mostly in the hands of brokers who have no interest beyond their commission, caution must be exercised in getting the actual stuff that is bargained for. There is abundance of good coal to be had in Moji, but it must be remembered that some of the mines have been but recently opened and a lot of rubbish has been brought down from the surface of them for sale; and if care is not taken this will be mixed with good cargo that has been purchased, and sent on board as the original quality. To prevent fraud of this nature buyers should make themselves acquainted with the agent or owner of the particular mine from which they require cargo and deal with them direct. They will not risk the reputation of their own production by supplying coal of an inferior quality. With about ten days notice a cargo of say 3,000 tons can be brought direct from most of the mines and be waiting in boats in Moji, without having been landed there. This is the only way of making certain of getting the same quality of coal every time, and though it might be a little more expensive will in the end turn out the most satisfactory.

There is no wharf accommodation yet but a company is being formed to build one; the depth of water, however, will not admit of *steamers coming alongside drawing over 15 feet*. The site adjoins the railway station, and coal arriving by train will be brought down to the wharf in trucks and transferred direct on board ship or cargo boat.

There are no less than 130 to 140 coal mines within a distance of 50 miles from Moji either connected with the railway or with the Kiushiu river, communicating with the port by boats. All these are working and capable of turning out at full blast 3 to 5000 tons per month each, whilst there are as many more undeveloped. The best coal comes from the Hokoku mine and costs f.o.b. in Moji Tls. 3.50 per ton; but as the Japanese Railways have contracts for the supply of 4,000 tons of it per month there is very little in the market. Komatsu, Itoda, and Mainichi in the same vicinity all produce good steam coal that can be depended upon. The two mines belonging to the Mitsu Bishi Co., Namasuta and Sennew, also give satisfaction. Among the other mines might be mentioned Kanada, Akiki, Takao, Daijio, Shakano, Sai Pang, Fujitama, &c., the prices ranging from $2.40 to $3.25 per ton.

From the foregoing it will be seen that there is an inexhaustible field of coal in the island of Kiushiu, which with a plentiful supply of the proverbial cheap labour of Japan and easy communication with a good harbour speaks for itself. The owners of these mines may rest assured that they can compete on terms favourable to themselves with any other coal that has yet been discovered in the east and that there is a great future before them.

JOHN ANDREW.

FOOCHOW RACES.

The weather was beautifully bright and clear for the races. The course was rather heavy, but the running was very fair, and the meeting a great success. The following are the results, as given by the *Echo*:—

FIRST,—TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 1892.

The STEWARDS CUP; (presented); value $100; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; entrance $5. Half a mile.

Mr. Esher's * Khedive, 155lb.....Mr. Greaves 1
Mr. Dorset's Kuliang, 155lb.....Mr. Ramsay 2
* Late Sterling.
Time 65½, 31 1-5, 65½.

The MAIDEN STAKES; forced for $10 each with $70 added; $150 to the first pony, $20 to the second; for subscription griffins; weights as per scale. Three quarters of a mile.

Capt. Hope's Plutocrat, 155lb....Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Esher's Kelpie, 155lb.....Mr. Greaves 2
Mr. Camera's Primrose, 155lb....Mr. Oswald 3
Mr. Ramsay's Strathmore, 155lb. Mr. Ramsay 0
Mr. Min's Musket, 161lb* Mr. Baker 0
* 6lb. over.
Time 1.42½. 33. 66, 1.47½.

The CHAASZE CUP: value $150: first pony to receive $125: second pony to receive $75: for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of of this or previous meetings: weights as per scale: entrance $5. One mile and a half.

Mr. Min's Shoddy, 161lb* Mr. Baker 1
Mr. Esher's Kyleakin, 155lb.....Mr. Greaves 2
Dr. Gardener's Benjy, 158lb.....Mr. Bartleet 3
Mr. Richam's White Wings, 152 lb.....
Mr. Drummond 0
Times 3.39, 35, 71½, 1.48 2.23½, 3 3 39.

The COMPRADORE'S CUP; value $.....; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; entrance $5. One mile.

Capt. Hope's Democrat, 155lb.* Mr Siemssen 1
Mr. Esher's Khedive, 155lb. Mr. Greaves 2
Mr. Bruce's Discount, 158lb.....Mr. Oswald 3
Mr. Richam's White Heather 155lb.....
Mr. Drummond 0
* 3lb. over.
Time 2.15½, 33.65½, 1 40, 2.15½.

The STAND STAKES; of $5 each, with $50 added. 70, 20 and 10 per cent to the first, second and third ponies; for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of this or previous meetings; weights as per scale; winners at this or previous meeting 10lb. extra. Seven furlongs.

Mr. Min's Carbine, 161lb*.....Mr. Barker 1
Baron Bankum's Reindeer, 162lb†.....
Mr. Bartleet 2
Mr. Esher's Kestrel, 152lb.....Mr. Greaves 3
Capt. Hope's Theocrat, 155lb...Mr. Siemssen 0
Mr. Camera's Primrose, 155lb.....Mr. Oswald 0
* 3lb. over † 10lb. penalty.
Time 2.02, 18, 50.01, 1.24½. 2.02.

The HONGKONG CUP; (presented); value $200; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 7.b. extra; entrance $10. One mile and a half.

Capt. Hope's Aristocrat 155lb...Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Min's Kismet, 161lb*.....Mr. Barker 2
Mr. Ramsay's Timekeeper, 149lb..Mr. Ramsay 3
* 6lb. over.
Time 3.31, 36, 72½, 1.48, 2.21, 25.5½, 3.31.

The MIN STAKES; price $10; for subscription griffins; $100 to the first pony, $20 to the second; weights as per scale; winners 7lb extra. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Esher's Kelpie, 155lb.....Mr. Greaves 1
Mr. Ramsay's Strathmore, 157lb*Mr. Bartleet 2
* 1b. over.
Time 3 01½, 35⅝, 70, 1.42, 2.22½, 3.01½.

The LEAPYEAR STAKES: of $10 each with $20 added to second pony: for all China ponies: weights as per scale: winners at this Meeting 7lb extra: twice round and a distance.

Capt. Hope's Autocrat, 158lb...Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Min's Shoddy 162lb*.....Mr. Baker 2
Mr. Dorset's Kuliang 155lb.....Mr. Ramsay 3
* 7lb. penalty.
Time 3 14, 15 51, 1.27, 202½. 2.38, 314.

SECOND DAY.—WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH.

The KUSHAN CUP: value $100: for subscription Griffins: weights as per scale: winners 5 lb. extra for each race won: entrance forced $5. One mile.

Mr. Esher's Kelpie, 160lb* Mr. Greaves 1
Mr Min's Carbine, 162lb† Mr. Baker 2
* 5lb. penalty. † 5lb. penalty.
Time 2.18½, 33⅜, 67, 1.41½ 2.18½.

The TOTALISATOR CUP: value $150, with $25 to the second and $10 to third; for all China ponies: weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 7 lb. extra entrance $10. One mile and three quarters.

Capt. Hope's Aristocrat 162lb* Siemssen 1
Mr. Ramsay's Timekeeper 162lb.....Ramsay 2
Mr. Min's Sheddy 162lb† Mr. Baker 3
Mr. Richam's White Heather, 155lb.....
Mr. Drummond 0
* 7lb. penalty. * 7lb. penalty.
Time 4 07. 33⅜, 67½, 1 43, 2.18, 2,53, 3.29, 4.07.

The HAKKWAN CUP; (presented); value Tls. 500; for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of this or previous meetings; weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 10 lbs. extra; previous Non-starters 7lbs, entrance $5. Once round.

Mr. Esher's Kyleakin 152 lb. Mr. Creaves 1
Mr. Capt. Hope's Plutocrat 165lb.* Mr. Siemsen 2
Mr. B. Bunkum's Reindeer 154lb.† Mr. Bartleet 3
Mr. Esher's Kestrel 152lb. Mr. Greaves 0
Mr. Camera's Primrose 155lb. ...Mr. Oswald 0
* 10lb. penalty. † 2lb. over.
Time 1.25 2-4th, 18, 49, 1.25 2.-5 h.

The CHRISTMAS STAKES; of $5 each with $50 added for all China Ponies; weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 7lb. extra. Three quarters of a mile.

Capt. Hope's Democrat 159lb. *Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Min's Kismet 161lb† Mr. Baker 2
Mr. Esher's Khedive 161lb§.....Mr. Greaves 3
Mr. Bruce's Discount 158lb.....Mr. Oswald 0
* 7lb. penalty. † 6lb. over. § 7lb. penalty.
Time 1.37, 3', 63⅜, 1.37.

The HACK STAKES; of $10 each with $10 added for each starter; for all China Ponies not otherwise entered at this meeting except for the Cosmopolitan Cup; weights 7lb. over weight for inches. Riders who have never won a race allowed 10 lb. Half a mile.

Mr. Dewhirst's Flight, 159lb.....Mr. Greaves 1
Capt. Hope's Wild Wood, 162lb Mr. Siemssen 2
Mr. Owl's Scot Free, 159lb.....Mr. Oswald 3
Time 65, 32, 55.

The RACE STAKES, forced of $10 each with $50 added; for subscription griffins; $100 to the First Pony $30 to the Second and $20 to the Third; weights as per scale; winners of one race 7lbs, extra, of 2 or more 10lbs. extra. Twice round.

Mr. Min's Musket, 161lb.*.....Mr. Baker 1
Mr. Richam's White Wings, 152lb. Mr. Greaves 2
Mr. Ramsay's Strathmore, † Mr. Bartleet 3
* 6lb. over. † 2lb. over.
Times 3.04, 39, 1.17, 1.54, 2.27½, 3.04.

The FOOCHOW STAKES, of $10 each with $50 added; a forced entry for all China Ponies entered at this meeting except those entered only for the Hacks and for Cosmopolitan Cup, and optional for subscription griffins of this meeting. Divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to First, Second and Third Ponies; weight as per scale. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Min's Kismet, 161lb.* Mr. Baker 1
Capt. Hope's Autocrat, 158lb. ...Mr. Siemssen 2
Mr. Ramsay's Timekeeper. 149lb. Mr. Drummond 3
Mr. Bruce's Discount, 158lb. Mr. Oswald 0
Mr. Dorset's Kuliang, 155lb. Mr. Ramsay 0
* 6lb. over.
Time 2.51, 33½, 67½, 1 42, 2.16, 2.51.

The CLUB CUP, value $100; for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of this or previous meetings; winners of one race at this or previous meetings 7lb. extra, of two or more races 12lb. extra; weights as per scale; entrance $5. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Min's Carbine, 165lb.*.....Mr. Baker 1
Mr. Esher's Kyleakin, 167lb.† ...Mr. Greaves 2
Capt. Hope's Theocrat 155lb. ...Mr. Siemssen 3
* 7lb. penalty. † 12lb penalty.
Time 1.42½, 32½, 6·½, 1.42½.

THIRD DAY,—THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH.

The TRAMEN'S CUP, presented; value $..... for subscription Griffins; weights as per scale; which is 5 lbs. extra for each race won; entrance forced $5. One mile and a half.

Mr. Ramsay's Strathmore, 155lb...Mr. Oswald 1
Mr. Richams White Wings 152lb.....
Mr. Drummond 2
Only two ran.
Time 3.42½, 35½, 69, 1.47, 2.24, 3.02, 3.42½.

The LEDGER CUP, presented; value $100; second pony to receive $25; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 10 lbs. extra; entrance $5. One round.

Mr. Esher's Khedive, 155lb*.....Mr. Greaves 1
Mr. Ramsay's Timekeeper. 161lb†...Mr. Baker 2
Capt. Hope's Autocrat, 168lb‡...Mr. Siemssen 3
Mr. Bruce's Discount, 158lb.....Mr. Oswald 0
Mr. Richam's White Heather, 155lb.....
Mr. Drummond 0
Time 1.72, 18, 48, 1.22.

The LADIES PURSE, (presented), for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of this or previous meetings; weights as per scale; winners at this or previous meetings 7lb. extra; riders who have never won a race allowed 7lb. entrance $5. Once round.

Capt. Hope's Plutocrat, 162lb.* Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Min's Musket, 162lb.† Mr. Baker 2
Baron Bunkum's Reindeer, 159lb.‡Mr. Bartleet 3
Mr. Esher's Kestrel, 152lb.....Mr. Greaves 0
Mr. Camera's Primrose, 155lb. ...Mr. Oswald 0
* 7lb. penalty. † 7lb. penalty, ‡ 7lb. penalty.
Time 1.24½, 18, 48½, 1.24½.

The SILVER CHALLENGE CUP, for Foochow and Amoy subscription griffins of this or previous meetings. To be won twice by a pony the *bond fide* property of same owner or owners. The entrance fees to go to the Club, and $100 to be paid to winner, except in the case of the cup being finally won and $10 to the second pony; weights as per scale; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Esher's Kelpie, 155lb. Mr. Greaves 1
Mr. Min's Carbine, 160lb * Mr. Baker 2
Mr. Esher's Kyleakin, 155lb. Mr. Drummond 3
Mr. Min's Musket, 155lb. Mr. Siemssen 0
Mr. Ramsay's Strathmore, 155lb. Mr. Ramsay 0
Mr. Richam's White Wings, 159lb.†
Mr. Bartleet 0
* 2lb. over, † 7lb. over.
Time 2.54½, 35, 71½, 1.46, 2.18½. 2.54½.

The CONSOLATION CUP; value $100. Second Pony to receive $25; for all *bond fide* beaten ponies that have not won a race at this meeting; weights as per scale; entrance $5. One mile.

Mr. Dorset's Kuliang, 155lb.....Mr. Ramsay 1
Mr. Richam's White Heather, 155lb.....
Mr. Drummond 2
Mr. Baron Bunkham's Reindeer, 159*.....
Mr. Bartleet 3
*7lb. over.
Time 2.21. 34, 67, 1.41½, 2.21.

The NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES; of $10 each with $50 added; divided 60, 25 and 15 per cent to First. Second and Third Ponies; for *bond fide* beaten Subscription Griffins that have not won a race; weights as per scale. Half a mile.

Mr. Esher's Kestrel, 157lb.....Mr. Greaves 1
Capt. Hope's Theocrat, 155lb...Mr. Siemssen 2
Dr. Gardener's Benjy, 152lb.....Mr. Bartleet 3
Mr. Camera's Primrose, 152lb...Mr. Oswald 0
Mr. Richam's White Wings, 152lb.....
Mr. Drummond 0
Time 66 secs. 33, 66.

The CHAMPION STAKES; of $10 each with $50 added; optional entry for the winners of the Hack, Consolation and Nil Desperandum Races, a forced entry for all other winners at this meeting Non-starters excluded; winners of 2 races at this meeting $15 extra, of more than 2 races $40 extra; weights as per scale. One mile and a quarter.

Capt. Hope's Democrat, 152lb.Mr. Drummond 1
Capt. Hope's Aristocrat, 155lb...Mr. Siemssen 2
Mr. Min's Kismet, *161lb.....Mr. Baker 3
Mr. Ramsay's Timekeeper, †151lb.Mr. Oswald 0
Mr. Esher's Khedive, 155lb.....Mr. Greaves 0
*61b over. †2lb. over.
Time 2.50 3-5th, 34, 68½, 1.43. 2.15, 2.50 3-5th.

The COSMOPOLITAN CUP, presented; value $..... For all China ponies; catch weights over 12st, 7lb.; hacks allowed 7lb.; to be ridden by residents of this province and officers of the Army and Navy; entrance $5. Three quarters of a mile.

Capt. Hope's Autocrat, 161lb.....Mr. Siemssen 1
Mr. Esher's Kyleakin, 161lb.....Mr. Greaves 2
Mr. Dorset's Kuliang, 161.....Mr. Ramsay 3
Mr. Min's Sheddy, 16 Mr. Baker 0
Time 1.40½, 33½, 65, 1.40½.

OFF DAY.

On the 16th the Stewards of the Race Club arranged two races for the "Ridee Boys," which attracted a good assemblage of the community. The events were follows:—

FIRST RACE,—1 mile.

Kelpie	ridden by	Diamond	1
Plutocrat	"	Goose	2
White Wings	"	Chang Hay	3
Musket	"	John Scott	4
Theocrat	"	No Legs	5

Times 2.12 1-5th.

SECOND RACE.—1½ miles.

Autocrat	ridden by	Goose	1
Kuliang	"	Diamond	2
Sheddy	"	John Scott	3
White Heather	"	Chang Hay	4
Black Leaf	"	Sancho	5

Time, 2.49.

FORMOSA.

("MERCURY" CORRESPONDENT.)

Tamsui, 7th December, 1892.

The *Ardgay* is outside the bar, and will probably come in, as the sea is moderating. The weather has been bad, for we have been having strong N.E. winds nearly all the time but we have a change to-day, the wind having veered round to the S.E. Wild the typhoons and strong freshets combined, the anchorage for vessels has silted up alarmingly, so as to cause all the steamers to touch the mud at low water. The extreme freshets must have washed the banks into the bed of the river and then have been unable to carry the *débris* off. It is to be hoped that the freshets of next spring may scour the mud away, but the bar may suffer.

The British Admiral, Sir Edmund Fremantle, came over Kelung with Lord manners on Saturday night. They returned to Kelung on Sunday morning by the *Alwine Seyd*, which loads coal there for your port. The *Smith* goes to Amoy with coals, and then proceeds to your port.

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CITY HALL.

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H. L. DENNYS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [1267

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Hongkong, 26th October, 1892.

To-day's Advertisements.

VICTORIA LODGE
HONGKONG, No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 22nd inst., at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [1269

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [1271

KÉBAO,
SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME FRANÇAISE.
CAPITAL 4,000,000 FRANCS.

LA SOCIÉTÉ KÉBAO (TONKIN), dont l'extraction prend tous les jours de l'importance et qui est seule FOURNISSEUR DE LA MARINE FRANÇAISE AU TONKIN, dont le Charbon est brûlé d'une façon régulière à bord des Steamers des MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, et en particulier à bord du *Hatchong*, voulant introduire ses Charbons sur la place de Hongkong a confié le soin de son Agence à la maison
SHEWAN & Cie.,
Praya Central, Hongkong.
à partir du 1er. Novembre, 1892.
Le Directeur Général de Kébao.
HENRY PORTAL.
Kébao, le 10 Decembre, 1892. [1270

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" will be on sale at the Hongkong and Victoria Hotels, opposite the Hongkong Club, and at Pedder's Wharf, EVERY EVENING from 5.30 to 7.30 o'clock.
PRICE TEN CENTS.
Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate—25 cents.
Advertisers are reminded that the *Hongkong Telegraph* has by far the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East. THIS IS GUARANTEED. Terms on application.
Hongkong, 14th October 1891.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION
ON
FRIDAY, the 23rd December, 1892,
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
(To close Accounts)

A QUANTITY OF
FURNITURE OF THE WELL-KNOWN MANUFACTORY OF THE HALL & HOLTZ COMPANY, SHANGHAI.
Comprising:—
OVERMANTELS, SIDEBOARDS, DINNER-WAGGONS, MOROCCO COVERED, DINNING ROOM & EASY CHAIRS, BEDROOM FURNITURE, &c.
ALSO,
FOR SUNDRY ACCOUNTS,
ONE COTTAGE PIANO by OTTO, just unpacked.

A QUANTITY OF FINE
JAPANESE PORCELAINS and ORNAMENTS, LEATHER COVERED SUITE, FANCY UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS, FENDERS and IRONS, TEA TABLES, &c., DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, GLASS and PLATED WARE, DOUBLE & SINGLE BEDSTEADS, DOUBLE and SINGLE WAR, DROBES with PLATE GLASS DOORS, MARBLETOP WASHINGSTANDS and DRESSING TABLES, CARPETS and RUGS, COOKING-STOVE, WASHING-MACHINE, &c., &c.
The above will be on view on Thursday, P.M.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1265

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
WEDNESDAY,
the 28th day of December, 1892,
at 3 o'clock,
at the Premises.

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE
LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Comprising:—
All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, having an area of 46,840 square feet or thereabouts and registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 148, as the same Premises are held for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 8th March, 1858, subject to the payment of the CROWN RENT payable in respect thereof, and the performance of the Crown Covenants to be performed in respect thereof, and subject also to the existing Lettings and Tenancies thereof, and
All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, having an area of 37,190 square feet or thereabouts and registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 578 as the same Premises are held for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 8th March, 1858, subject to the payment of the CROWN RENT payable in respect thereof, and the performance of the Crown Covenants to be performed in respect thereof, and subject also to the existing Lettings and Tenancies thereof.
The Property will be Sold in One Lot.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to
WOTTON & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1892. [1253

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PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, having been Leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is NOW OPEN and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES.

The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—

One person, one month	$50.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per month	85.00
One person per day	2.50
Married couple per day	3.50

For full particulars apply to

VICTORIA HOTEL.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [814

TRAVELLERS HOTEL,

No. 12 & 13, Queen Victoria Street.

WINES AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY ONLY.

BEER ON DRAUGHT.

MEALS ALL HOURS, FIRST CLASS BEDS.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

H. OLIVER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1264

COLONIAL HOTEL.

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THE COLONIAL HOTEL, No. 1, JUBILEE STREET, (west side of the New Central Market) is most centrally situated and has excellent accommodation for visitors.

TIFFINS and DINNERS provided at the shortest notice.

A Spacious BAR with LIQUORS of the best quality. DRAUGHT BEER A SPECIALTY.

CHARGES MOST REASONABLE.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1226

WINDSOR HOTEL,

(In Connaught Buildings),

QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in WINDSOR HOUSE has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Cuisine under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room, Hot and Cold water. Passenger Elevator to all Floors.

Charges from $2 per day upwards.

Special Rates for Families or Permanent Boarders. Offices and Rooms to let Unfurnished, and Rooms with or without Board, by day or month. Apply at the Office, No. 37, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1802 [843

BAY VIEW HOTEL.

MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

The Cuisine is unrivalled in Hongkong, and only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or Tiffins prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [480

THE BOA VISTA HOTEL.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOTEL is situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view facing the South. Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.

Every comfort is provided for Visitors, with an excellent Cuisine, and Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the best brands.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well Ventilated Dining, Billiard and Reading Rooms, and a well supplied Bar.

A small Dairy is attached to the premises.

MRS. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

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THE SHAMEEN HOTEL,

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the 'River Steamer Wharves,' is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Rooms, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experienced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only.

A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD-ROOM.

A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892 [870

HAUENSTEIN'S HOTEL, AMOY.

THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

An EXCELLENT TABLE is kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality.

Terms Moderate.

R. HELLWIG, Proprietor.

Amoy, 1st September, 1892. [885

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CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1892.

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F. E. REILLY, *PROPRIETOR.*

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THE FINEST HOTEL IN THE EAST.

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THIS fine hotel is situated within five minutes' drive of the terminus of the Yokohama-Tokoy Railway and is in near proximity to the Imperial Palace, the Parliament House and the Chief Public Offices.

There are no inside rooms, thus securing well lighted, ventilated and cheerful accommodations. The Cuisine cannot be surpassed, and the aim of the management is to provide for the comfort and pleasure of the guests. The attractions of Tokio are countless, and the religious and floral festivals being of daily occurrence are to be seen at their best and on a grander scale than in any other portion of Japan. All the noted actors, wrestlers and jugglers make the capital their head-quarters.

RATES, $3 TO $4.50 PER DAY.

C. S. ARTHUR, Manager.

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THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,

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Board and Lodging by the Day, one person	$ 3.00
Board and Lodging by the Day for Married Couples occupying one room	4.50
Board and Lodging by the Month, one person	60.00
Board and Lodging by the Month for Married Couples occupying one room	100.00

(CHILDREN BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

Sitting-room by the Day	$ 2.50	Tiffin	$ 1.00
Sitting-room by the Month	30.00	Dinner	1.50
Extra Bed-room by the Day	2.00	European Servants by the Day	1.00
Extra Bed-room by the Month	20.00	European Servants by the Month (Bedroom extra)	20.00
Bed and Breakfast	2.50	Chinese Servants by the Day	0.15
Breakfast	0.75		

TRAMWAY TICKETS will be supplied to RESIDENTS and VISITORS at the Hotel at reduced rates.—For further Particulars apply at the Company's Offices, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, or to R. ISHERWOOD, Manager, Mount Austin Hotel.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1892. [1018

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER Manager.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892. [198

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TO LET.

NO. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD (lately occupied by Atack).

OFFICES in No. 4, Praya Central (lately occupied by Messrs. Gilman & Co.).

No. 3, PEDDER'S HILL.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1892. [1085

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NEW HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE—Bonham Road, near Breezy Point.

No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.

FLOORS in Blue Buildings.

OFFICES—Second Floor, Praya Central (lately occupied by Messrs. Dunn, Melbye & Co.)

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SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES at Magazine Gap. Very cheap Rental.

FIRST FLOOR, No. 22, Elgin Street.

Nos. 4, 5 & 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.

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No. 10, OLD BAILEY STREET.

Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1892. [1086

To be Let.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, —LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ROOMS TO LET.

FOR OFFICES and for CHAMBERS on the Ground and First Floors of the HOTEL facing Queen's Road and Pedder Street. With immediate entry if required.

For particulars, apply to

R. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [1215

TO LET.

HOUSES in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, Kowloon.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [1087

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WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

THE Large Handsome SHOP, No. 24, Queen's Road Central, lately occupied by Dakin Bros. of China, Limited.

Also,

Two Large AIRY ROOMS on the Top Floor of above.

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Hongkong, 2nd August, 1892. [781

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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE; VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic Wednesday, 21st Dec.
Belgic (via Honolulu)...Thursday, 19th Jan., '93.
Oceanic.....Thursday, 9th Feb., '93.

THE Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st Dec., at Daylight. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
From Hongkong, First-class.

To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O...	$225.00
To Liverpool and London	325.00
To Paris and Bremen	345.00
To Havre and Hamburg	335.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND CITIES. FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION.	30 day Tickets.	Continuous Trip Tickets.
Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb.	285.00	
St. Louis, Mo.	292.50	291.50
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn	292.90	
Chicago, Ill.	297.50	295.00
Milwaukee, Wis	299.50	295.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	302.30	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
Pittsburg, Penn	310.25	307.00
Niagara Fall, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md.	317.90	311.75
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00
Philadelphia, Penn	319.75	312.50
New York	319.75	315.00
Boston, Mass	321.15	317.00
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Through tickets issued to Passengers booking to Europe or to Overland points, are good for transportation across the America, Continent, *viâ* the Union Pacific Railway System only.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued at following rates:—

4 months$337.50
12 months$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong 19th December 1892 12

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$26.00 per case...	6 Magnums		(Dry).
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$7.50 to $66 per case of 1 dozen quarts.

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FRENCH BEER, WHITE WINE, &c., &c., &c.,

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1892. [1172

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Prices forwarded on application to

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Yokohama, 12th August, 1892. [844

FOR SALE.

BREAKFAST SAUSAGES...35 cents per lb.

AUSTRALIAN CORNED BEEF 1/2 " "

ANDERSON & OLSEN, 23, Lee Yuen Street East.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1892. [1179

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking.....Saturday, 31st Dec.
China Tuesday, 10th Jan., '93.
Peru Saturday, 28th Jan., '93.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 31st Dec., at 1 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent

Hongkong, 10th December, 1892 [1

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1892. [832

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1892.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Empress of Japan | Wednesday | Dec. 28th.
Empress of China | Wednesday | Jan. 25th, '93.

THE R. M. S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN," sailing at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th December, 1892, with Her Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER, *viâ* SHANGHAI KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
(In Mexican Dollars).
FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

TO	One Way Fares.	Prepaid return. 4 mos.	Prepaid return. 12 mos.
Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, B.C.	225	338	394
Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Wash.			
Portland, Ore., San Francisco			
Banff Calgarry, Alba	255	383	447
Winnipeg, Man	275	413	482
To Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, Minn	285	428	499
Chicago, Ill., Kansas City, St. Louis, Mo	295	443	517
Milwaukee, Wis			
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1892. [3

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